

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Jinglin LI et al.

Serial No.: Unassigned
Div. of 09/581,897
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Group Art Unit: Unknown

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For: METHOD OF PREPARING ENANTIOMERICALLY-ENRICHED
TETRAHYDROBENZOTHIOPINE OXIDES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the file of the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the paragraph at page 1, immediately below the title and insert in its place the following:

This application is a divisional of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/581,897, filed October 2, 2000, which claims the benefit of priority of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/068,170, filed December 19, 1997. The entire contents of each is herein incorporated by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2-64 without prejudice or disclaimer (i.e., cancel all claims except claim 1).

REMARKS

Claim 1 is now pending in this divisional application.

Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures:

Specification (95 pages)
Drawings (2 sheets)
Declaration (copy)
Assignment (copy)
Application Data Sheet

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